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LADIES' COLUMN.

Proud Pied April Dressed in all His Trim, Hath Put a Spirit of Youth in Everything.

Spring Colors for Spring Costumes. Straight Lines in Draperies. Styles in Sleeves.

Spring Renovating Need Not Be Spring Revolution—Fashion Notes. New Receipts.

HE brightest gem in nature's diadem, the emerald of spring, has now been taken from her jewel case, and with more generously than marks her children, the kind old mother permits all to enjoy the beauty that glimmers forth in spring grass and budding trees. These lines of color are utilized in spring attire, and whether in military or fabrics for costume, green in various shades and in new combinations prevails; its popularity has no, however, wholly banished grey. It may be the memory of penitential day is yet too fresh, but the color is such a favorite and is now of such a shade as to admit of such a wonderful variety of tones that there seems to be good reason to expect it will continue to be worn. One of the latest hues is a shade approximating brown that combines prettily with that color in formal costume; then there are Russian steel and silver greys that have a bluish tint, blinding of morning skies glowing through this grey and others again, have a phosphorescent brightness just hidden by the sea surface. These shades of grey come in all shades, and are made into brilliant suits by sparkling trimmings of beads, cut jet and crystals.

In fabrics there is nothing shown for spring wear more desirable than chas. These come in lovely colors, and deep, and combined with emerald silk and crepe. To come to all a woman can ask for the creation of an artistic tea gown. There is no diminution in the popularity of this graceful garment, and dressmakers are complaining of its spreading the dinner dress, taking precedence both for afternoon and evening wear. These have, however, grown so elaborate that only the initiated can discern wherein lies the difference in the two gowns. One of the late features in the tea gown is the long, pointed sleeves. These add grace to the garment and are usually lined with satin or silk of a different color.

In the arrangement of skirts the great object seems to preserve a straight line without giving an appearance of stiffness or rigidity that is generally involved in a straight line. This is the skill of dressmakers as it is no easy matter to secure the two effects of straight folds and draperies. The usual way is to have the dress more or less in redingote form showing a portion of the skirt ornamented with draperies. Striped materials have the skirt laid in deep pleats, while a highly pleated skirt goes over the hips and under the back draperies.

For those who pursue do not admit of the extravagances of the tea-gown craze there are the house jackets and fancy bodices that give to plain skirts a dressy appearance. These are made of all kinds of material and are left to the individual taste, a dainty one is of dark blue plush with vest, and has vest and slashed sleeves in a delicate blue tulle; another, rather Japanese in color, is of yellow silk, having a loose white lace front tied across with yellow ribbons.

Belts are becoming fashionable again. Stringless bonnets are used only for carriage and visiting wear. Irish embroidery is the rage in London. Widows wear Byron collars and outside cuffs of white muslin, with hem-stitched borders.

A black evening gown was of tulle, embroidered with gold beads and caught up with bunches of butters.

The full bodice for this material is as fashionable as ever, but the cross over, or surplice style has superseded the straight, belted bodice.

Leghorns hats, with immense brims and low crowns and liberally trimmed with white net and masses of flowers, are to be the current thing for the season.

The newest thing for bridesmaids are the floral slippers, which hang from the left arm by ribbon loops, and are filled with real flowers put into moss and fixed by wires.

Handsome evening bonnets and hats have wide ties of Brussels net or illusion long enough to pass loosely around the neck and fasten at one side, dished with a full bow of ribbon.

The engagement ring is no longer confined to a solitaire diamond, but may be set with a colored gem preferred by the bride-elect, associated with diamonds somewhat smaller in size.

Percale and gingham gowns for girls of ten to fourteen have round low waists, with yokes of velvet, pointed to the belt and worn over high white muslin gumpies, or else are lapped from left to right over a plaited plastron.

At least the men ought to be happy, for there are no bonnets this spring as well as those with the trimmings set high in front. There is also a revival of the hat with low crown and very wide brim, which should also delight the heart of man.

Among the spring's high novelties are dress patterns of cloth or other close woven fabrics, with plink open borders in guipure patterns. Those for the skirt are some twelve inches deep, and are lined with a fabric of lighter contrasting color, with a full flange.

New round corsages have a tight-fitted lining over which the material is fully draped in long folds crossing in front or else drawn down to a sharp point and outlined with galloon, which is also sewed together to form the collar, cuffs and half belt.

Ribbons have not lost a vestige of their popularity since they began to boom a year ago. Some important changes have, however, taken place. The fancy edges are not so popular as formerly, but the real silk ribbon just now is the changeable color ribbon. The rolled edge, with different colors are often used together, as though one lined the other, and one edge folded back so as to show the lining.

The new form of polonaise is crossed over from right to left, giving the surplice effect to the bodice, which is belted at the waist, a pointed and draped apron effect to the front and an opening skirt that falls to the edge of the skirt, which shows the skirt and allows the opportunity for specialized panel trimmings, though this is not needed.

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ed with a combination of plain and striped material.

Household. Poets sing of spring, but the busy housewife knows that mid song of turtle dove, and hum of bees, there comes a call that she must heed. The health and comfort of her family demands her attention, and unpoetical visions of scrubbing brushes and brooms with the chaotic confusion of house cleaning intrude upon her disturbed slumber. At last the fateful morning dawns when the daily routine is changed and ordinary domestic life is grievously interrupted. How will the little woman direct in this semi-anarchy emergency? It is to be hoped she will throughout maintain her own equanimity and direct her new forces, that the comfort of the family be not even temporarily interfered with. In this spring campaign it is wiser to conquer the enemy in detail, taking room by room and beginning at the top of the house and come down, reversing the order when reaching after the precariness of a clean house.

The temptation is strong, as the warm rays of sunshine stream in at the windows and bring out in direful plainness unsuspected depths of dirtiness, to tear up carpets, take down curtains, and in the rush of the fight against dirt bring in that utter confusion and chaos which stains the desired and a little sooner it may be, but in its train much disaster to the family and great expense of worry and fatigue to the directing genius. If the housekeeper will resist the impulse to pull everything to pieces at once, and by taking each room, restoring it to order before dismantling another, she will, by steady systematic work, accomplish the house cleaning just as thoroughly and quite as quickly, and with much less fatigue to herself. There is much to be learned in one's work, and the value of whitening and ammonia can be scarcely overestimated as cleansing agents. For white paint nothing does the work so thoroughly as a liberal use of whitening, and when mixed with diluted ammonia makes the cleaning of glass a comparatively easy matter. It must be applied and left to dry, and then rubbed off with newspaper. This is most excellent in polishing.

For washing all kinds of graining cloth tea is highly recommended. It is said that by using this the varnish is not injured.

In this climate the carpets, after being well cleaned, are better to be folded up for the summer, the bare floors being so much cooler. To preserve from moths there is nothing better than a liberal dose of Scotch snuff, although there are other agents, such as turpentine and cayenne pepper, that are said to be excellent preventives from the ravages of these little insects. Bare floors are not labor saving; to keep them well requires daily attention, for dust, especially where they are dark, makes itself soon manifest.

For the colored material and white muslin curtains at the windows will give the room quite a summery look, and entail less actual labor on the housekeeper. It ought to be that amid all the progress of these days women should learn to save themselves the mania of cleanliness that makes women fight dirt all their lives, often hurries to that point where they must let down the bars and let the dirt in. It is well not to anticipate the hour by extra labor or extra worry. Polishing and scrubbing may be duties, but care must be taken that they do not become such engrossing ones as to exclude the more important, such as preserving one's health, and devoting some time during the day to rest and cultivation of mind. It is well for the ambitious young housekeeper to remember that she is to be the companion of her husband through life and the intelligent mother of her children, and that in order to do this there must enter into her system an allotment of specified time to be devoted to reading, thinking and planning for the future of her family.

Systematicness, however, are all parts of her plan, but quite as much is the careful avoidance of worry in spring time and in summer, in autumn or in winter, and a pervasive peacefulness in her home that shall make husband and children rise up and call her blessed, a peacefulness of moods as well as of manner that shall conduce to the happiness of all under her roof, and a peacefulness of mind that shall rob house-cleaning times of its terrors, and give mother by her quiet methods an almost perennial beauty.

CRACKERS. Delicate Crackers—Two pints of flour, one pint of sweet cream, and the yolk of three eggs. Roll out thin and bake quickly.

Excellent Pie Crust—One cup of lard, one cup of sweet milk, pinch of soda, one tablespoonful of corn meal, salt and flour enough to mix rat or soft; do not knead it.

Princes Potatoes—Form cold, mashed potatoes into balls, brush with melted butter, then with beaten egg, and place them in a baking pan. Bake in a very hot oven until a golden brown.

Delicate pie—Whites two eggs, four tablespoons cream, one large spoonful of butter, one cup white sugar, one cup cold water, flavor with lemon. Line a pie plate with pastry, pour in the mixture and bake at once.

A pie that is properly baked will slip from the tin with careful handling, and if placed on a wire frame where the air has access to the bottom, it will cool without becoming moist, and when ready to be served it can be transferred to a plate.

To Fry Fish Well—The secret of frying fish lies in the brown without other eggs or bread crumbs, dry it well, do both sides (do not be rigidly with the Indian meal), and plunge into plenty of boiling fat. Be sure that the fat is boiling, and plenty of it, as upon that depends the crispness and brownness of the fish.

Mountain Dew Pudding—Take three cups of milk, one quart of sweet milk, two-thirds of a cup of sugar, yolks of three eggs, salt and nutmeg; bake twenty minutes; beat the whites of the eggs to a froth, add two-thirds of a cup of sugar and spread over the pudding; brown slightly in oven.

Hollandaise sauce for fish—The true Hollandaise sauce is simply butter plain melted in a saucepan, flavored with a little pepper and salt and a little lemon juice. This is allowed to settle over the fire and is then poured, free from the sediment at the bottom of the pan, into a very hot sauceboat. This sauce is a very valuable addition to fish, asparagus and all green vegetables.

Sponge-cake—One pint of fresh milk, three tablespoonsful of Cox's gelatine, three tablespoonsful of sugar, three eggs. Put gelatine into cold milk, let it stand a little while; put on stove and bring milk to boiling point, then add the sugar and yolks of eggs which have been well beaten together. Remove from the fire and stir in the whites, which have also been beaten up. Add a little salt and flavor to suit and pour into mold; set first so the cream will turn out easily.

Green peas with new turnips—Peel

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